

MEMORANDUM

TO: HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES TASK FORCE MEMBERS
FROM: SEAN RILEY, HHS TASK FORCE DIRECTOR
RE: 35-DAY MAILING—HHS TASK FORCE MEETING; 2012 STATES & NATIONS POLICY SUMMIT
DATE: OCTOBER 25, 2012

The American Legislative Exchange Council will hold its 2012 States & Nation Policy Summit from November 28-30 at the Grand Hyatt Washington in Washington, D.C. (1000 H Street NW, Washington, D.C. 20001). The deadline for early registration and hotel reservations is Thursday, November 8th. Additional hotel and registration information can be [found here](#) with a tentative agenda for the summit now [online](#).

Please note, **the HHS Task Force Meeting will be held Thursday, November 29 from 2:30 - 5:30 p.m.** A tentative agenda for the meeting is below, including presentations, discussion of proposed model legislation, and review of existing model legislation and resolutions.

The following materials are attached:

- Registration and Housing Form and Spouse/Guest Registration Form
- States & Nation Policy Summit Agenda-At-A-Glance
- HHS Task Force Meeting Tentative Agenda
- Proposed Model Legislation:
 - *Health Professional Modernization Act*
 - *Patient Access Expansion Act*
- ALEC's Mission Statement
- Scholarship Policy by Meeting

Additionally, you will find a letter from ALEC's Senior Director of Policy to all members explaining the sunset review process, along with sunset review materials pertaining to the HHS Task Force in a separate attachment.

I look forward to seeing you all in our nation's capital. If you have any questions or comments regarding the meeting, please contact me at (202) 742-8541 or sriley@alec.org. If you need assistance with online registration, contact Ngan Nguyen at (202) 742-8538 or nnguyen@alec.org.

2012 ALEC STATES & NATION POLICY SUMMIT

November 28 – 30, 2012

Grand Hyatt Washington
1000 H Street, NW • Washington, D.C. 20001



ATTENDEE REGISTRATION / HOUSING FORM

Early registration deadline: November 8, 2012

Housing cut-off date: November 8, 2012

Online
www.alec.org

Fax (credit cards only)
202.331.1344

Phone / Questions • Mon-Fri, 9am-5:00 pm Eastern
202.742.8538

ATTENDEE INFORMATION

Prefix (required) ☐ Sen ☐ Rep ☐ Del ☐ Mr ☐ Mrs ☐ Ms ☐ Other _____
Last Name _____ First Name _____ Middle Initial _____ Badge Nickname _____
Title _____
Organization (required) _____
Primary Address ☐ Business ☐ Home _____
City _____ State/Province _____ Country _____ ZIP/Postal code _____
Daytime phone _____ Fax _____ Alternate phone _____
Email (confirmation will be sent by email) _____
Emergency Contact Name _____ Day Phone _____ Evening Phone _____
Dietary Restrictions _____
☐ This is my first time attending an ALEC event.
*Spouse / Guest/Kids' Congress: If registering a spouse or guest, please complete the spouse/guest registration form

REGISTRATION INFORMATION

** Please note that member fees are subject to verification

- ☐ ALEC Legislative Member
☐ Legislator / Non-Member
☐ Newly Elected Legislator (2012 Election Cycle)
☐ ALEC Private Sector Member
☐ Private Sector / Non-Member
☐ ALEC Non-Profit Member (501(c)(3) status required)
☐ Non-Profit Non-Member (501(c)(3) status required)
☐ Legislative Staff / Government
☐ ALEC Alumni
☐ ALEC Legacy Member

	EARLY until Nov 8	ON-SITE begin Nov 9	DAILY
ALEC Legislative Member	\$375	\$475	\$245
Legislator / Non-Member	\$475	\$575	\$345
Newly Elected Legislator (2012 Election Cycle)	\$375	\$475	\$245
ALEC Private Sector Member	\$725	\$875	\$445
Private Sector / Non-Member	\$925	\$1100	\$545
ALEC Non-Profit Member (501(c)(3) status required)	\$525	\$625	\$345
Non-Profit Non-Member (501(c)(3) status required)	\$675	\$825	\$445
Legislative Staff / Government	\$400	\$500	\$245
ALEC Alumni	\$425	\$525	\$295
ALEC Legacy Member	\$0	\$0	\$0

For Daily Registration, select which day: ☐ Wed ☐ Thur ☐ Fri

METHOD OF REGISTRATION PAYMENT

Credit Card: Credit cards will be charged immediately. Please fax to the above number for processing.

☐ Amer Express ☐ Visa ☐ MasterCard

Card # _____

Cardholder (please print) _____

Exp Date (mm/yy) _____ Security Code _____

Signature _____

REGISTRATION FEES: \$ _____

Note: Registration forms with enclosed payments must be received by November 8, 2012 to be eligible for early bird registration rates. Forms and/or payments received after November 8, 2012 will be subject to the on-site registration rate.

REGISTRATION CONFIRMATION INFORMATION

Online registrants will receive immediate email confirmation. If registering by form, confirmation will be emailed, faxed, or mailed within 72 hours of receipt of payment.

REGISTRATION CANCELLATION / REFUND INFORMATION

Registrations cancelled prior to 5pm Eastern November 8, 2012 are subject to a \$100 cancellation fee. Registrations are non-refundable after 5pm Eastern November 8, 2012.

HOUSING

RESERVATION CUTOFF FOR ALEC DISCOUNTED RATE IS November 8, 2012

Grand Hyatt Washington

Arrival Date _____ Departure Date _____

Sharing with: (Maximum 4 guests per room)

Room Type

- ☐ Single \$289
☐ Double \$289
☐ Triple \$314
☐ Quad \$314

Special requests

- ☐ ADA room required:
____ Audio ____ Visual ____ Mobile
☐ Rollaway / crib: _____
☐ Other: _____

Credit Card Information/ Reservation Guarantee

Credit Card information is required at time of reservation to guarantee the reservation. Card must be valid through December 2012

☐ Please use the same credit card information as above.

☐ Amer Express ☐ Visa ☐ MasterCard ☐ Discover

Card # _____

Cardholder (please print) _____

Exp Date (mm/yy) _____ Security Code _____

Signature _____

All rates DO NOT include state and local tax currently 14.5% (subject to change)

Note: Cutoff for reservations at the ALEC rate is November 8, 2012. After November 8, 2012, every effort will be made to accommodate new reservations, based on availability and rate.

HOUSING CONFIRMATION INFORMATION

Online reservations will receive immediate email confirmation. Reservations received by form will be confirmed via email, fax, or mail within 72 hours of receipt.

HOUSING CANCELLATION / REFUND INFORMATION

Credit cards will be charged one night room and tax in the event of a no show or if cancellation occurs within 72 hours prior to arrival. Please obtain a cancellation number when your reservation is cancelled.


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ATTENDEE INFORMATION IS REQUIRED TO REGISTER A SPOUSE OR GUEST

Last Name _____ First Name _____
Organization _____
Daytime phone _____
Email (Confirmation will be sent by email) _____

SPOUSE / GUEST REGISTRATION

SPOUSE / GUEST REGISTRATION GUIDELINES

1. Spouse / guest registration is meant to accommodate legal spouse and immediate family members.
2. Attendees from the same organization must register independently. No exception will be made.
3. Spouse / guest designation will be clearly visible on name badge.

Last Name _____ First Name _____ Middle initial _____ Badge Nickname _____
Last Name _____ First Name _____ Middle initial _____ Badge Nickname _____
Last Name _____ First Name _____ Middle initial _____ Badge Nickname _____

SPOUSE / GUEST REGISTRATION FEES	Number of Spouse/Guest(s)	Fee	TOTAL
<input type="checkbox"/> Spouse / Guest <i>please note name(s) above</i>	_____	\$ 150	\$ _____

METHOD OF SPOUSE / GUEST REGISTRATION PAYMENT

Credit Card: Credit cards will be charged immediately. Please fax to the above number for processing.

☐ Amer Express Card # _____
☐ Visa Cardholder (please print) _____
☐ MasterCard Exp Date (mm/yy) ____/____ Signature _____

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Agenda

Tuesday, November 27th

Joint Board of Directors Meetings	7:30 am – 5:00 pm
Registration	12:00 pm – 5:00 pm
ALEC Joint Board Reception and Dinner	6:00 pm – 9:30 pm

Wednesday, November 28th

Registration	7:30 am – 5:00 pm
Task Force Subcommittee Meetings	8:00 am – 11:45 am
Exhibits	9:00 am – 5:00 pm
State Chairs Meeting	9:00 am – 11:00 am
New Legislator Orientation	10:15 am – 11:15 am
Opening Plenary Luncheon	11:30 am – 1:15 pm
Task Force Chairs Meeting	1:30 pm – 2:45 pm
Workshops	1:30 pm – 4:15 pm
Hospitality Suite	9:00 pm – 11:00 pm

Thursday, November 29th

Registration	7:30 am – 5:00 pm
Plenary Breakfast	8:00 am – 9:15 am
Exhibits	9:00 am – 5:00 pm
Workshops	9:30 am – 12:15 pm
Plenary Luncheon	12:30 pm – 2:15 pm

Task Force Meetings 2:30 pm – 5:30 pm

- Energy, Environment, and Agriculture Task Force
- Health and Human Services Task Force
- International Relations Task Force
- Tax and Fiscal Policy Task Force

National Chairman's Reception, *by Invitation Only* 5:30 pm – 6:30 pm

Gala Holiday Reception 6:30 pm – 8:30 pm

Hospitality Suite 9:00 pm – 11:00 pm

Friday, November 30th

Registration 7:30 am – 2:30 pm

Plenary Breakfast 8:00 am – 9:15 am

Workshops 9:30 am – 12:15 pm

Plenary Luncheon 12:30 pm – 1:45 pm

Task Force Meetings 2:00 pm – 5:00 pm

- Civil Justice Task Force
- Communications and Technology Task Force
- Commerce, Insurance, and Economic Development Task Force
- Education Task Force

Health and Human Services Task Force Meeting
2012 States & Nation Policy Summit
Thursday, November 29, 2012
2:30 - 5:30 p.m.

TENTATIVE AGENDA

2:30 p.m. WELCOMING REMARKS

Introduction of Task Force Members and Guests

Recognition of New ALEC Members

Approval of Minutes

Wisconsin Senator Leah Vukmir, HHS Public Sector Chair

Marianne Eterno, Guarantee Trust Life Insurance, HHS Private Sector Chair

2:50 p.m. SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS

Waste, Fraud, and Abuse Prevention: Innovation in the States

The Doctor Shortage and What Can Be Done

Reducing Overutilization of Emergency Care

Health Care in 2013

3:30 p.m. PROPOSED MODEL LEGISLATION: DISCUSSION AND VOTING

(NOTE: Model legislation is considered in order of submission. Any model legislation not considered at this meeting will be considered at ALEC's 2012 Spring Task Force Summit.)

Health Professional Modernization Act

Patient Access Expansion Act

4:30 p.m. SUNSET REVIEW

5:30 p.m. GOOD OF THE ORDER/ADJOURNMENT

HEALTH PROFESSIONAL MODERNIZATION ACT (DRAFT, OCTOBER 25, 2012)

SUMMARY

The *Health Professional Modernization Act* addresses a problem that plagues states all over the country: lack of access to quality primary care. Generally, people think of their physicians when they talk about primary care providers, but there is a myriad of other avenues to quality primary care. For example, nurse practitioners are trained to handle the vast majority of basic primary care needs, but throughout many states, they are limited in their ability to do so by overly restrictive scope of practice laws.

By freeing advanced practice registered nurses (APRNs) to practice to the full extent of their education and training, states can increase their citizens' access to quality primary care. The *Act* also protects citizens by putting all APRNs underneath the authority of their respective boards in their states. Also, the *Act* puts the regulation of these APRNs underneath the authorities that understand them best but that still operate subject to the will of the legislature.

America's doctors are the best in the world, and they should be dealing with world class issues of care. The basic primary care needs can be served more cost effectively by freeing all of our APRNs to practice to the full extent of their knowledge and training.

MODEL LEGISLATION

Section 1. Short Title. This Act shall be known as the "Health Professional Modernization Act."

Section 2. Definitions.

A. In this Act, "advanced practice registered nurse" means a nurse practitioner, nurse anesthetist, nurse-midwife, or clinical nurse specialist who holds a license issued under {insert state licensing statute} and who:

1. Has successfully completed a graduate-level advanced practice registered nursing education program accredited by a national accrediting organization recognized by the respective board that prepares the nurse to function as a nurse practitioner, nurse anesthetist, nurse-midwife, or clinical nurse specialist;
2. If the education program required under Paragraph 1 was completed after January 1, 1996, has met requirements established or recognized by the respective board for national certification;
3. Is licensed by the respective board to provide nursing care in an area with a targeted population group recognized and approved by the respective board; and
4. Meets requirements established by the respective board for continued competence.

B. The term "advanced practice registered nurse" is synonymous with "advanced nurse practitioner" and "advanced practice nurse".

Section 3. Scope of Practice.

A. Primary care by an advanced practice registered nurse is based on:

1. Knowledge and skills acquired in basic nursing education;
2. Licensure as a registered nurse;
3. Successful completion of a graduate-level advanced practice registered nursing program accredited by a national accrediting organization recognized by the respective board;
4. Current certification in accordance with **{insert reference to state occupations code or similar chapter}** by a national certifying body recognized by the respective board in the appropriate advanced practice registered nursing role approved by the respective board; and
5. Nursing care provided in an area with at least one targeted population group recognized and approved by the respective board.

B. Practice as an advanced practice registered nurse is an expanded scope of nursing practice in a role approved by the respective board and in an area with a targeted population group recognized and approved by the respective board, with or without compensation or other personal profit, and includes the scope of practice of a registered nurse.

C. The scope of practice of an advanced practice registered nurse includes, but is not limited to, advanced assessment, diagnosing, prescribing, and ordering.

D. An advanced practice registered nurses may serve as a primary care provider of record.

Section 4. Applicability to Primary Care Providers.

A. This Act does not limit or modify the scope of practice of a registered nurse who is not an advanced practice registered nurse approved by the board.

B. The scope of practice of a registered nurse includes any act of professional nursing the nurse is authorized to perform under this Act.

Section 5. Licensure. A person may not practice or offer to practice advanced practice registered nursing in this state unless the person is licensed as an advanced practice registered nurse under this Act.

Section 6. Application. An applicant for an advanced practice registered nurse license shall submit to the respective board an application on the form prescribed by the respective board, any required fee, and any other information required by the respective board.

Section 7. Practice by Primary Care Provider.

A. An advanced practice registered nurse who holds a license issued under this Act may:

1. Diagnose, prescribe, and institute therapy or referrals of patients to health care agencies, health care providers, and community resources; and
2. Plan and initiate a therapeutic regimen that includes ordering and prescribing medical devices and equipment, nutrition, and diagnostic and supportive services, including home health care, hospice, physical therapy, and occupational therapy.

B. An advanced practice registered nurse shall practice as a licensed independent practitioner in accordance with standards established and recognized by the respective board to protect the public health and safety.

C. An advanced practice registered nurse is accountable to patients, the nursing profession, and the respective board for:

1. Complying with the requirements of this Act;
2. Providing quality advanced nursing care;
3. Recognizing the nurse's limits of knowledge and experience;
4. Planning for the management of situations beyond the nurse's expertise; and
5. Consulting with or referring patients to other health care providers as appropriate.

Section 8. Prescribing and Ordering Authority.

A. The respective board may grant prescribing and ordering authority in accordance with this Act through the issuance of an advanced practice registered nursing license to a registered nurse approved by the respective board to practice as an advanced practice registered nurse.

B. As authorized by the respective board, an advanced practice registered nurse may prescribe, procure, administer, and dispense dangerous drugs and controlled substances.

Section 9. Notwithstanding **{insert section of state occupations code}**, as added by this Act, an advanced practice registered nurse who has been approved by the respective board to provide advanced nursing care is not required to hold a license as an advanced practice registered nurse until **{insert date}**.

Section 10. {Severability Clause}

Section 11. {Repealer Clause}

Section 12. {Effective Date}

PATIENT ACCESS EXPANSION ACT (DRAFT, OCTOBER 25, 2012)

SUMMARY

This Act prohibits maintenance of licensure, maintenance of certification, and specialty certification as state requirements to practice medicine. It also prohibits the state medical board from funding the Federation of State Medical Boards.

MODEL LEGISLATION

Section 1. Short Title. This Act shall be known as the "Patient Access Expansion Act."

Section 2. Prohibition of Maintenance of Licensure, Maintenance of Certification, Specialty Certification to Practice Medicine.

The state of {insert state} is prohibited from requiring any form of maintenance of licensure, maintenance of certification, or original certification by a specialty medical board, in order to practice medicine within the state.

Section 3. Prohibition of State Funding of Federation of State Medical Boards.

The {insert state medical board} is prohibited from funding the Federation of State Medical Boards (FSMB). Funds from physician licensures shall not be sent to FSMB and the state of {insert state} shall not permit any money to be forwarded to FSMB from this state.

Section 3. {Severability Clause}

Section 4. {Repealer Clause}

Section 5. {Effective Date}



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SCHOLARSHIP POLICY BY MEETING

ALEC Spring Task Force Summit:

1. ***Spring Task Force Summit Reimbursement Form:*** ALEC Task Force Members are reimbursed by ALEC up to a predetermined set limit for travel expenses. Receipts must be forwarded to the ALEC Policy Coordinator and approved by the Director of Policy.
2. ALEC Task Force Members' room & tax fees for a two-night stay are covered by ALEC.
3. *Official Alternate Task Force Members* (chosen by the State Chair and whose names are given to ALEC more than 35 days prior to the meeting to serve in place of a Task Force Member who cannot attend) are reimbursed in the same manner as Task Force Members.
4. ***State Scholarship Reimbursement Form:*** Any fees above the set limit, or expenses other than travel and room expenses can be submitted by Task Force Members for payment from their state scholarship account upon the approval of the State Chair. Receipts must be submitted to the State Chair, who will submit the signed form to the Director of Membership.
5. *Non-Task Force Members* can be reimbursed out of the state scholarship fund upon State Chair approval. Receipts must be submitted to the State Chair, who will submit the appropriate signed form to the Director of Membership.

ALEC Annual Meeting:

State Scholarship Reimbursement Form: State scholarship funds are available for reimbursement by approval of your ALEC State Chair. Expenses are reimbursed after the conference, and may cover the cost of travel, room & tax, and registration. Receipts are to be submitted to the State Chair, who will then submit the signed form to the Director of Membership.

ALEC States & Nation Policy Summit:

1. ***States & Nation Policy Summit Reimbursement Form:*** ALEC offers two scholarships per state to cover the cost of travel, room & tax, and registration not to exceed \$1,000.00 per person for a total of \$2,000.00 per state. ALEC scholarship recipients must be named by the ALEC State Chair. Expenses are submitted to the State Chair and reimbursed after the conference. The State Chair submits the signed form to the Director of Membership.
2. ***State Scholarship Reimbursement Form:*** Any other fees or payments must come out of the state scholarship account, with the approval of the State Chair. Receipts must be submitted to the State Chair, who submits the signed form to the Director of Membership.

ALEC Academies:

Academy Reimbursement Form: Attendees of ALEC Academies are reimbursed by the Task Force Committee hosting the Academy. Attendees will receive a form at the Academy, and will be reimbursed up to \$500.00 for travel, and room & tax fees for a two-night stay by ALEC. Receipts must be forwarded to the appropriate Task Force Director and approved by the Director of Policy.